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SUBJECT: IBRD/IMF SUPPORTFOR ROC

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1. ROC AMBASSADOR JAMES C. SHEN, ACCOMPANIED BY MINISTER MARTIN WONG, CALLED ON EA ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY HUMMEL JULY 24 TO UNDERLINE IMPORTANCE ROC PLACES ON ITS CONINUED PARTICIPATION IN IBRD/IMF AND TO SOLICIT USG RESPONSE TO WONG'S EARLIER REQUEST FOR US SUPPORT AT THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING (OUTLINED IN REFTEL).

2. SHEN ASKED HUMMEL IF WE WERE READY TO DISCUSS CURRENT

US THINKING ABOUT SUPPORT FOR ROC AT THE SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 4 ANNUAL MEETING OF IBRD/IMF IN WASHINGTON. HUMMEL
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REPLIED WE ARE NOW IN PROCESS OF PREPARING AN INTER-AGENCY

STAFF STUDY ON THIS MATTER AND, UNTIL HE STUDY IS COMPLETED, HE COULD SAY NOTHING OFFICIALLY ABOUT US POSITION. WHEN PRESSED BY SHEN, HUMMEL OFFERED A "PERSONAL GUESS" THAT US SUPPORT THIS YEAR WOULD PROBABLY BE ALONG LINES OF THAT GIVEN LAST YEAR.

3. IN RESPONSE TO SHEN'S QUESTION, AN ESTIMATE OF TWO TO FOUR WEEKS WAS GIVEN FOR COMPLETION OF THE STUDY. HUMMEL

ADDED - AND HE THOUGHT CHINESE WOULD AGREE - IT WAS STILL

TOO EARLY FOR THIRD COUNTRY APPROACHES AS THEY MIGHT PRECIPITATE CHINESE REPRESENTATION ISSUE. INGERSOLL

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